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- I. AUTHORITY: TCA 4-3-603, TCA 4-3-606, TCA 41-21-234.
- II. PURPOSE: To establish standards for the personal appearance of inmates.
- III. APPLICATION: To Tennessee Department of Correction (TDOC) inmates except those assigned to and actively participating in an S.A.I.U. program.
- IV. DEFINITIONS: None.
- V. POLICY: Inmates shall be permitted freedom in personal grooming and dress as long as their appearance does not conflict with the institution's requirements for safety, security, identification, sanitation, and hygiene.
- VI. PROCEDURES:
 - A. The hair must be groomed and kept clean. Access to barbering/hair care services for administratively segregated inmates will be in accordance with Policy #506.16.
 - B. An inmate shall be required to wear a hair/beard net or head covering when his/her hair is of length which is likely to become entangled if working near machinery, or for sanitary purposes, such as when working in health service or food service areas.
 - C. Inmates shall be routinely subject to searches of hair.
 - D. Inmates shall be required to conform to the dress code as stipulated in Policy #504.05.
 - E. Inmates shall not be permitted to dress in the unique clothing of the opposite sex; females are not permitted to cultivate or attach beards and mustaches; males are not permitted to wear cosmetic makeup substances.
 - F. Inmates shall not be required to wear a particular hairstyle or dress in a particular uniform or manner for purposes of public embarrassment or punishment.
 - G. Any inmate whose grooming and personal hygiene habits threaten his/her health, or the health of others, will be referred to health services for recommended action.
 - H. Forcible cutting or trimming of hair shall not be done except upon orders of a physician for reasons of health.

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- I. Hairstyles, including facial hair, which identify inmates as security threat group members are prohibited.
 - J. Inmates shall not be allowed to possess or wear wigs or have extensions, etc., added to their hair.
 - K. When an inmate's appearance substantially changes due to hairstyle and/or facial hair, a new picture for the institutional file shall be required at the inmate's expense.
 - L. Disciplinary actions may be taken for violations of grooming and/or cleanliness regulations.
- VII. ACA STANDARDS: 3-4720.
- VIII. EXPIRATION DATE: June 15, 2006.